

(F THE CANDIDATES ADMITTED

25UEN202

DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2025 ONLY) REG.NO. :

N.G.M.COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) : POLLACHI

END-OF-SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS : MAY 2026

AIDED(EXCEPT CS AND BCOM STREAMS)

MAXIMUM MARKS: 75

SF(TAMIL LITERATURE)

SEMESTER-II

TIME : 3 HOURS

PART - II

25UEN202-COMMUNICATIONENGLISH-II

SECTION – A (10 X1 = 10 Marks)

Answer the following questions. (K1)

1. What festival is celebrated in "The Bird Sanctuary"?
a) Festival of Dusk b) Festival of Dawn c) Festival of Full Moon d) Festival of New Moon
2. What message is conveyed by the poem "A Psalm of Life"?
a) Immortality b) Mortality c) Hope d) Penury
3. What did Mini refuse to take from the Kabuliwala?
a) Coins b) Raisins c) Nuts d) balloons
4. Complete the given sentence with a suitable adverb:-
We looked for the lost puppy -----.
a) none b) nowhere c) everywhere d) well
5. Fill in the blanks with suitable interjection:
_____. That was an amazing performance.
a) Oh no b) Ugh c) Hurray d) Alas

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING IN ONE (OR) TWO SENTENCES (K2)

6. What instrument does the owl play in "The Owl and the Pussy-cat"?
7. What animal does the young man in "A Psalm of Life" not want to believe and why?
8. How is the physical appearance of the Kabuliwala described in Tagore's short story?
9. Correct the error in the verbal form in the given sentence:-
They will travelling to Japan next month.
10. Fill in the blanks in the given sentence with suitable preposition:-
Humpty Dumpty sat _____ a wall. (on/at)

SECTION – B (5X5 = 25 Marks)

ANSWER EITHER (A) (B) IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. (K3)

11. a) "The Face of Judas Iscariot" captures the duality of human nature and the transformative power of time - Assess.
(OR)
b) "The Owl and the Pussy-Cat" is considered to be a classic nonsense poem - Assess

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12. a) What does Longfellow mean by Life is real! Life is earnest!,,?

(OR)

b) How do you view the nature of Griselda's obedience to Walter in Geoffrey Chaucer's "The Clerk's Tale"?

13. a) What did the Kabuliwala bring for Mini as a gift on the auspicious day of her wedding? How do they convey his fatherly love to her?

(OR)

b) What was the immediate reaction of Mini's father on seeing the Kabuliwala on the day of her wedding?

14. a) Fill in the blanks with suitable verb forms, by choosing from the list given below:

[are roasted, have been gathered, preparing, is made, ground]

After the beans -----, they ----- at high temperatures. This process gives them their fragrance. The best coffee ----- from freshly ----- beans. There are many different ways of ----- coffee. Coffee can be served either with or without milk.

(OR)

b) Insert an appropriate adverb to complete the sentences.

1. She sings (manner)
2. They will arrive (time)
3. The dog ran (place)
4. He _____ goes to the gym. (frequency)
5. The test was _____ difficult. (degree)

15. a) Choose the suitable conjunction and fill in the blanks: - [and, but, or, so, because]

I wanted to go to the park _____ it started to rain. I had to stay home, _____ I decided to read a book instead. I couldn't decide _____ I should read a mystery _____ a fantasy novel. I chose the mystery _____ I love solving puzzles.

(OR)

b) Fill in the blanks by choosing the suitable prepositions:

John Doe, who graduated ----- (of, from) the University of North Carolina two years ago, is now doing graduate work ----- (in, on) engineering ----- (at, to) Georgia Tech. He expects to receive his Master's degree ----- (by, in) next June. After that, he plans to accept a job as a technician in an oil company ----- (in, at) South America.

SECTION – C (5X8 = 40 Marks)

Answer either (a) or (b) in each of the following questions. (K4(OR)K5)

16. a) Sarojini Naidu's "The Bird Sanctuary" serves as an allegory for the human need for freedom and peace. Discuss.

(OR)

b) Analyse the significance of the relationship between the owl and the pussy-cat in "The Owl and the Pussy-Cat"?

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17.a) Summarize how Longfellow presents the two aspects—his personal experience and his motherland in “A Psalm of Life”?

(OR)

b) Compare and contrast the peasant status of Griselda and the power dynamics of Walter, as exposed by Geoffrey Chaucer in “The Clerk’s Tale”:-

18. a) Analyse the differences that you could find in the fatherly relationship of Kabuliwala with that of Mini’s father?

(OR)

b) Discuss the role played by Mini’s mother in “Kabuliwala”?

19. a) **Develop the given hints into a readable passage:- Give a suitable title to it:-**

Dick – act – brilliant - strange character - insists on realism - headache to the manager - a new drama - first drinking scene - water provided in a cup as usual - Dick insists on liquor - manager has to buy a bottle of liquor - second scene – fight - insists on real swords - refuses to handle wooden swords - steel swords brought - third scene - he ro drinks poison - manager has real poison - act shocked - promises to be sensible in future

(OR)

b) **Develop the given hints into a readable passage:- Give a suitable title to it:-**

A rich farmer - lot of land - cattle and servants - two sons - happy life - After some years younger son unhappy - asked for his share of the property - wouldn't listen to father's advice - got his share - sold the land - went away to another country - fell into bad ways - soon all money gone - poor - no one to help him - understood his mistake.

20. a) **Comprehend the given passage and answer the questions given below:-**

Philosophy of Education is a label applied to the study of the purpose, process, nature and ideals of education. It can be considered a branch of both philosophy and education. Education can be defined as the teaching and learning of specific skills, and the imparting of knowledge, judgment and wisdom, and is something broader than the societal institution of education we often speak of. Many educationalists consider it a weak and woolly field, too far removed from the practical applications of the real world to be useful. But philosophers dating back to Plato and the Ancient Greeks have given the area much thought and emphasis, and there is little doubt that their work has helped shape the practice of education over the millennia. Plato is the earliest important educational thinker, and education is an essential element in "The Republic" (his most important work on philosophy and political theory, written around 360 B.C.). In it, he advocates some rather extreme methods: removing children from their mothers' care and raising them as wards of the state, and differentiating children suitable to the various castes, the highest receiving the most education, so that they could act as guardians of the city and care for the less able. He believed that education should be holistic, including facts, skills, physical discipline, music and art.

Questions:

1. What is Philosophy of Education?
2. What are the two major genres covered under Philosophy of Education?
3. What are the two major functions of Education?
4. Why do many educationists consider Education to be a weak field?
5. Who is the earliest important educational thinker? (OR)

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b) Comprehend the given passage and answer the questions given below:-

Mrs Brown was tired after her day's shopping in London, so she went into a restaurant for a cup of tea before catching the train home. When she had ordered her tea, she suddenly remembered that she had to buy some medicine for her husband, who had a cough. "Is there a chemist's near here?" she asked the waiter. "Yes, madam," the waiter said, "it's only about three minutes' walk away. Turn right when you go out of the restaurant, then take the second turning to the left. You'll find a big chemist's about a hundred yards up the road on the right-hand side. It closes at five, but if you hurry, you'll just get there in time."

Mrs Brown followed the waiter's directions carefully and found the chemist's shop without any difficulty. She bought the cough mixture and started to make her way back to the restaurant. But after she had walked for about ten minutes and there was

still no sign of the restaurant, she realised that she must have made a mistake. "Oh! I am stupid!" said Mrs Brown. "I've left all my shopping in the restaurant and now I'm lost."

She was still wondering what to do when a policeman came up and asked if he could help. Mrs Brown explained what had happened. "Well, first of all," said the policeman, "we had better go back as far as the chemist's." "Now," suggested the policeman, when they got to the chemist's, "let's go in this direction. It leads to the main road, where we shall probably find your restaurant." When they reached the main road, the policeman said: "I think you'll find the restaurant you are looking for a long way there, on the opposite side of the road." Mrs Brown thanked the policeman for his help. "I can't understand how I went wrong," she said. The policeman smiled. "It's quite easy," he said, "to get lost in a big city like London."

Questions:

1. Why did Mrs. Brown call herself stupid?
2. Why had Mrs. Brown come to London?
3. How far was the chemist's shop from the restaurant?
4. When did Mrs. Brown realise that she had made a mistake?
5. Who did a timely help to Mrs. Brown and how?
